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89 Arrested at Party

Evansville, Ind., September 13, 2009 – Officers from the Indiana State Excise Police, Evansville Police, and the University of Evansville Security Department investigated a complaint of a "loud underage party" taking place at residence located at 1669 East Lincoln Ave. As a result of this investigation, 88 minors and 1 adult were charged on alcohol related charges.

Just before midnight on Saturday, Evansville Police Officers were dispatched to this residence after receiving a 911 complaint. As Officers arrived, many youth fled inside this residence. Officers could see inside this residence and observed what appeared to be underage drinking taking place. EPD Officers then requested assistance from the Indiana State Excise Police.

While investigating this party, officers found youth hiding in all parts of this residence. Youth were hiding in closets, under beds, and in the basement. Officers then found a notation written on the wall near the back door. This notation read "If the COPS come, have all the underage hide in the attic."

An adult resident was then confronted about this notation and was asked to unlock the door leading to the attic. Officers then discovered over 80 youth hiding in this attic area. Most of these youth were University of Evansville students, so the assistance of the University of Evansville Security Department was requested.

All of these subjects were ticketed and released to appear in court.